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APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL  
(Under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b))

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Title: Radially Expandable Tubular Stented Grafts  
Express Mail Label No.: EL599141795US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

ADDRESS TO: Commissioner for Patents  
Box Patent Application  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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- ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **50**]
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC §113) [Total Pages **5**]  
(Figs. 1-8a)
4. ☒ Signed Declaration [Total Pages **3**]

a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)

b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR §1.63(d))

(Note Box 5 below)

i. ☒ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)

Signed statement attached deleting inventor named in the prior application, see 37 CFR §§1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)

5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 4b is checked.) entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein

6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program
7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
8. ☐ Assignment Papers with recordation sheet (\_\_\_ pages)
9. ☐ 37 CFR §3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
10. ☐ English Translation Document

17. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No.: 09/358,350

18. The present application claims priority under 35 USC § 119 to U.S. Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_.

11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations

12. ☐ Preliminary Amendment

13. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)

14. ☐ Small Entity Statement(s)

15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Documents (s)

16a. ☐ Cancel in the application original claims before calculating the filing fee

16b. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a \_\_\_ Continuation, \_\_\_ Divisional, \_\_\_ Continuation-in-part, of application \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_

16c. ☐ I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the latest inventor-signed prior application, including a copy of the oath or declaration showing the original signature or an indication it was Signed. I hereby verify that the papers are a true copy of the latest signed prior application number \_\_\_\_\_, filed \_\_\_\_\_ and further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

16d. ☒ Other: Deletion of Inventors

16e. ☒ Other: Request for Non-Publication of Application

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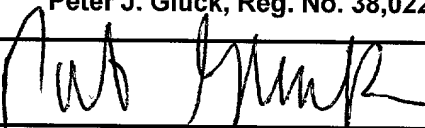
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CLAIMS	(1) FOR	(2) NUMBER	(3) NUMBER EXTRA	(4) RATE	(5) CALCULATIONS
	TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	113 - 20=	93	X \$18 =	\$1,674
	INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	3 - 3=	0	\$84 =	\$0
	MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR §1.16(d))			+ \$ 280 =	\$ 0
				BASIC FEE (37 CFR §1.16(a))	\$740
				TOTAL =	\$2,414

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- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR §1.16
- b. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR §1.17
- c. ☒ Fees required under 37 CFR §1.18

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